

GERMANS AGAIN MENACE RUSSIAN RAILROAD

PETROGRAD IS NOT ALARMED

Courland Campaign of the Germans Likely to Fail, Say the British.

AUSTRIAN TRENCHES TAKEN

Tremendous Duel of Big Guns Marks Operations Along Franco-Belgian Front.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg's offensive near Divinsk, where the railroad leading from Vilna to Petrograd has been reached, again menaces the railway connection with the Russian capital. The comparative successes in the other sectors which the Russians have gained in the last fortnight, caused the capital to regard the latest threat against it with no great alarm.

British opinion is that the Courland campaign of the Germans not only is proving costly in men and supplies but is likely to fail unless the Russian offensive on the other extremes of the long front can be stopped soon.

By their latest attacks in eastern Galicia the Russians are reported to have penetrated the Austro-German trenches in the face of an exceptionally heavy artillery fire. To the north the Russians are withdrawing steadily from the dangerous Niemen salient opposing the German advance merely by stubborn rearguard action.

The tremendous duel of big guns still marks operations along the Franco-Belgian and Italian fronts. Except for occasional attempts to rush advanced trenches there is little infantry activity on either side.

From the near East come reports that the Turks are firing villages on the Asiatic shore of the Dardanelles and it is suggested that they are preparing to abandon the straits. It is also reported that the Turkish shore batteries on the Asiatic side of the straits have been almost reduced to silence.

CONFEREE ILL

And Meeting of Pan-American Peace Commission is Postponed to Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Secretary Lansing announced today that the Pan-American conference on the Mexican situation, which was to have been convened here tomorrow, will not be held until Saturday and that it will be held in New York city.

The change in plans was due to the illness of one of the conferees.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Official announcement was made today in the House of Commons that the total of British war casualties up to August 21 was 381,983 officers and men killed, wounded or missing.

LIQUOR ELECTION.

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 14.—South Carolina voters went to the polls today to decide whether statewide prohibition shall be adopted or the present system of county option retained. Prohibition, if carried, would become effective January 1. Fourteen of the forty-four counties now operate dispensaries.

WANT TO BORROW A BILLION DOLLARS WITHOUT SECURITY

Report Causes Biggest Sensation of the Year in New York Money Circles.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The report that the Anglo-French financial commission contemplated borrowing a billion dollars here without collateral of any sort and solely on government notes of Great Britain and France overshadowed all other topics in the financial section today.

Heretofore the opinion has prevailed that Great Britain and France would secure the proposed mammoth loan by American securities, dollar for dollar, or by some other acceptable form of collateral. All calculations of American financiers prior to the commission's arrival here has been based on that assumption. The reported plan of the commission providing for a straight loan without collateral caused the biggest sensation of the year in the New York financial district.

It was the consensus of financial opinion that the commission would find its path tremendously more difficult than would be the case were the proposed credit loans se-

DISGRACEFUL CONDUCT IN THE MILFORD ROAD.

The West Milford road is a shameful scene at night as it is being converted into a place of carousal and debauchery. Men and women under the influence of drink and for immoral purposes, go out the road nightly in automobiles and their conduct is such that a storm of protest comes from families residing along the road.

Some times they indulge themselves in trying to make the impression that they have met with an automobile accident and their conduct in this may result in failure of farmers to go to the rescue of persons actually in need of help.

Unless conditions are voluntarily corrected there, the county officials will be asked to station men along the road to maintain decent order and arrests will be made and punishment meted out.

NEW BOOK

For Lutheran Churches is Reported by Church Book Committee to Council.

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Sept. 14.—At today's session of the general council of the Lutheran church in America it was announced in the report of the church book committee that the work of revising the English books of worship in the Lutheran church had been completed after many years work and it was hoped that the new forms would contribute largely toward a United English Lutherism America.

The existing books and services have been thoroughly revised, according to the purest liturgies of the Lutheran church of the sixteenth century. The result is a book upon which all three main bodies of Lutherans have come to perfect agreement, and all publishing houses will print from common plates. The new book is to be called "Common Prayer Book and Hymnal." It will be published in a music edition and in an edition with words only. The committee added a memorial tribute to the late Rev. Mr. Horn, of Philadelphia, the secretary of the committee, who had labored most faithfully on this book and who died just before the realization of the aims of the committee had been attained.

MENINGITIS

Causes Death of Elmer Tenny, Son of Ernest Tenny, of Adamston.

Elmer Nolan Tenny, 15 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tenny, of Adamston, died at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday morning after an illness of meningitis. The deceased child is survived by his parents and a sister, Madeline Tenny. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the home and the burial will be in the Greenlawn cemetery.

SUBMARINE SUNK.

PARIS, Sept. 14.—A German submarine has been torpedoed and sunk by a French torpedo boat patrol between Mitylene and Tenedos, says an Athens despatch.

INCREASED INTEREST IN SHOWER OF GOLD FOR BABIES CAMPAIGN

Progressive Parents and Their Friends Organizing Supporters for Successful Race.

BABIES' PICTURES FREE

First Subscription Payment Will Entitle Baby to 50,000 Extra Vote Ballot.

The liberal offer of the Clarksburg Telegram is the reason that you have noticed more than ordinary activity among the people of Clarksburg and vicinity. That explains also why the campaign department is receiving nominations in every mail and is kept busy answering questions over the telephone in person to as many interested in their babies in winning a portion of the \$1,600 in gold prizes offered by this paper.

Many are the longing hearts of parents who have read of the liberality of the offer and longed that their dimpled darling boy or girl might share in a part of the gold and also the popularity of the winners.

But it is now time for action, and those who wish to be numbered among the winners should start an active campaign for subscriptions and coupons. You should organize your friends for a successful campaign, and make preparation for battle while the field is freshest for the canvass in order to have your baby build up a reserve vote that will make him a winner in the race for a big gold prize. You should prepare yourself in the start because of the large voting value of subscriptions during the first period and the twenty-five vote coupons.

The number of coupon votes is increasing daily as will be seen by a glance at the standing. Subscriptions are also coming in, and not only from the city district but from the outside district as well.

The pictures of all babies will be taken absolutely free of charge to parents. All that is necessary is just to call on the shower of gold manager and he will explain to you. The Ideal Studio, W. R. Hook, proprietor, will give you the very best for which the Ideal Studio is justly noted.

The first subscription payment made in favor of any baby will entitle it to 50,000 extra votes, and the parent of every baby in the list for gold prizes should see that this first subscription is secured and turned in to this office at once, for this offer will remain in effect for a limited time and it is well to take advantage of it now.

If you have not sent in the name of your baby there is still plenty of time, but not a minute more should be wasted and the name should be sent in at once.

PROTEST MADE

By Belgium to Neutral States against Tearing Up and Removal of Railroad.

HAVRE, France, Sept. 14.—The Belgian government has protested to neutral states against the action of the German administration in tearing up and transporting to Poland the track of the Belgian railroad. The protest is based on an article of the fourth Hague convention which stipulates that the occupation of invaded territory shall consist only on occupation de facto. Removal of the railroad, the note maintains, will make much more difficult the transaction of business by a large portion of the population of Belgium.

MRS. MAYHALL DEAD

Wife of Well Known Resident of Central Station, Dies in a Local Hospital.

Mrs. Mary Mayhall, aged 45 years, wife of D. C. Mayhall, a well known resident of Central Station, died at 6:10 o'clock Tuesday morning in a local hospital following a surgical operation.

Among surviving relatives are her husband and a daughter, Miss Frances Mayhall, who is attending school at Parkersburg. The body was prepared for burial and taken to her home at Central Station Tuesday. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet.

DAUGHTER BORN.

The Clarksburg restaurant and its patrons were rather surprised by missing their rolls for the Monday evening meal. The manager gave the cause of not having any rolls to the store, who visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Nadermir at the Jacobs apartments, leaving an eight-pound baby girl. Mother and baby girl are getting along well.

LONG TERM.

The fall term of the United States district court to open next Tuesday at Martinsburg, with Judge A. G. Dayton on the bench promises to be a long and busy one. As the summer vacation has intervened since the last term, quite a large number of new cases are up for the grand jury to pass upon.

A MAMMOTH CANNA.

What is believed to be the largest canna ever grown in Clarksburg is on exhibition in the editorial rooms of the Telegram. The stalk, which is eight feet and ten inches high, was cut from a circle of thirty-seven mammoth stalks in the front yard of Mrs. J. S. Adams's residence at 601 Buckhannon avenue, and it was presented by her to the Telegram.

MINES CLOSED

In Arizona Where 8,000 Men Are Striking for Increases in Their Wages.

CLIFTON, Ariz., Sept. 14.—Eight thousand men are now on strike at the mines of the Arizona Copper Company, the Detroit Copper Company and the Shannon Copper Company. The strike includes miners, electricians, machinists, and boiler makers. The strike followed demands of the Western Federation of Miners for increases in wages.

The general managers declined to meet the union representatives and have refused to make a statement relative to the trouble. The Detroit and Arizona companies' mine and concentrators at Moreci, the Detroit smelter at Moreci, the Shannon and the Arizona smelters at Clifton and the mines of the Shannon and the Arizona companies at Metcalf are all closed.

DEAD MEXICANS

Are Found in Various Parts of the Section around Brownsville, Tex.

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 14.—The bodies of three dead Mexicans were found in various parts of this section today. Two bodies were found near Edinburg, twenty-five miles from the scene of yesterday's fighting. The Mexicans had been shot. The body of another Mexican chained to the trunk of a tree floated down the river past here today. There was no indication as to whether the Mexicans had been victims of private vengeance.

DIVORCE GRANTED.

Judge Raymond Maxwell, of the circuit court, has granted Henson D. Gaston a divorce from Hattie E. Gaston. He is forbidden to marry for six months and she for five years, when they can re-marry.

TWELVE HUNDRED TO ATTEND BANQUET HERE IN NOVEMBER

When Great Laymen's Missionary Convention Will Be Held by Number of Counties.

In the Baptist church the executive officers of the Laymen's Missionary convention for Clarksburg, together with the six committees to whom have been entrusted the details of the organization, met Monday night to formulate definite plans for their work. Euthusiasm is growing with each meeting. The men who came discussed with more lively interest the plans for the convention.

A few had been inclined to believe that this movement was small but last night they lost that thought and learned that this is one of the biggest things that has struck West Virginia. They understood that at least 1,200 delegates were expected from twelve-three counties and that the first meeting of those delegates, according to the plans of similar conventions in other cities, should be at a banquet—they swallowed a lump in their throats when they acknowledged that in the city of Clarksburg there was no hall big enough to seat around tables such a large crowd. For a while it was feared that the banquet part of the program would need to be abandoned. But the whole body of men in the meeting expressed themselves as loath to give up this important feature of the convention; so they instructed the committee on arrangements to try and arrange some plan by which the 1,200 delegates might be gathered in two or three places simultaneously and the two or three speakers whom the national committee will send for that meeting may be moved from one banquet hall to the other in rotation. It is hoped committee will be able to make some arrangement that will conserve the enthusiasm and instruction that always come in this opening meeting.

Letters and circulars are being printed for distribution to the key men in all the denominations in the twenty-three counties from which (Continued on page 3.)

DR. DUMBA

Is So Indignant That He Does Not Propose to Give Out Another Word Here.

LENEX, Mass., Sept. 14.—The Austro-Hungarian ambassador, Dr. Constantine Dumba, today announced that he had requested his foreign office to recall him on leave of absence in order that he might make a personal report on the situation in the United States, which resulted in a request by the United States government for his recall.

In authorizing the Associated Press to make the above announcement, Dr. Dumba expressed indignation that the text of his message to the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, Baron von Burian, already had become public without his consent or knowledge.

In view of the "situation" he said he probably would not make public the statement of his position which he had in mind to give to the American press. He would, however, have something to say through the Austrian press when he reached Vienna.

NO RELIEF

From the Excessive Heat is Promised during the Next Thirty-Six Hours. POSSE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—No relief from the excessive heat which has gripped the eastern South since the middle of last week is promised by the weather bureau during the next thirty-six hours.

Unseasonable cool weather prevails in the West and temperatures at or below freezing point are reported from many points on the Rocky mountain and plateau regions.

TWELVE FORFEIT BONDS.

Six men and six women, who were arrested in the police raid on the Annex hotel early Sunday morning, failed to appear in police court Monday evening to stand trial on charges of assembling for immoral purposes and their bonds of \$15 each were declared forfeited.

OWENS PEOPLE HERE.

A party of Owens glass officials are inspecting their plants here and at Fairmont yesterday. The members are Messrs. M. J. Owens, W. K. Brownlee, L. DeVore, E. J. Walker and W. H. Boharth, of Toledo. They are being conducted on the trip by Manager S. S. Cochrane.

HALF MASTED

From London to Hong Kong Are Flags during Funeral of Van Horne.

MONTREAL, Sept. 14.—Funeral services attended by representatives of the Dominion and provincial government and every business and professional organization in this city were held today for the late Sir William Van Horne. The head officers of the Canadian Pacific railway, of which Sir William was formerly president, were closed for two hours and flags were half-masted on all the company's buildings from London to Hong Kong.

The body was taken to Joliet, Ill., Sir William's birthplace, where it will be buried beside his father and mother.

ANOTHER RAID

Is Made by German Airmen over the East Coast of England.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Another German air raid was made over the east coast of England last night, but as far as appears there were no casualties and no damage was done.

A single Zeppelin was the raiding aircraft, according to the official announcement, which reads: "A Zeppelin visited the east coast last night. Bombs were dropped. Anti aircraft guns, fixed at mobile, were in action. So far as can be ascertained there were no casualties and no damage was done."

REPAIRING PAVING.

A large force of men is busy repairing street paving in West Pike street in front of the Elks' home and other buildings in that neighborhood.

DISAVOWAL OF ATTACK ASKED

SNOW IN KANSAS.

(By Associated Press.)
PHILLIPSBURG, Kan., Sept. 14.—An inch of snow fell in Norton, Phillips and Smith counties in this state early today. Parts of southern Nebraska also reported a slight precipitation. A Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad train was delayed one hour west of here when it was held up by a snow drift.

SEEING THINGS

Paraphernalia of Sherlock Holmes is Being Used by a Local Newspaper Editor.

Denial was made at the police department today of an article appearing in a local morning newspaper to the effect that plain clothes men guarded the Clarksburg Trust Company Monday night in order to frustrate an expected attempt at burglary.

Chief of Police Brooks stated emphatically that no report of the presence of yeggmen in the city had been received by any branch of the police department and that no officers were detailed to watch the trust company building. Police department officials were inclined to take the newspaper description of the yeggmen and their plans to rob the trust company as a joke.

Inasmuch as the newspaper article stated that the matter was brought to the attention of the "secret department of police" it may have been that the editor of the newspaper in question, who is said to be connected with that department, recycled the information and acted without consulting the chief or other police officials.

NO LIVES LOST

And No One Injured during the Fire on Ship with Reservists Aboard.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—No lives were lost and no one was injured during the fire on the steamer Sant 'Anna bound from New York for Italian ports with more than 1,600 Italian reservists, according to a wireless message received by the Mable line agents here today. The message added that the Sant 'Anna conveyed by the way of Ancona of the same line, is proceeding to Fayal, Azores. Captain Pavey, of the Sant 'Anna did not state the extent of the damage nor the cause of the fire.

NEW INSURRECTION.

PARIS, Sept. 14.—A new insurrectionary movement has broken out not only in Lisbon but in the principal cities of Portugal says a despatch from Madrid.

NEWSPAPER SOLD.

BOSTON, Sept. 14.—The property of the Boston Herald, Inc., was sold at auction for \$1,800,000 today to S. DeG. Sullivan, of New York, representing Morton F. Plant and other holders of securities of the Boston Herald, Inc.

SITUATION IS FAR FROM HOPELESS DESPITE THE NOTE

And Washington is Looking to Berlin Foreign Office for the Next Move.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Officials of the Washington government looked to the Berlin foreign office today for the next move in the serious situation that has arisen between the United States and Germany over submarine warfare. They have in hand all information on the sinking of the White Star liner Arabic with the loss of American lives and are ready to decide upon their course. However, it is believed, action will be delayed until Ambassador Bernstorff can hear from Berlin on evidence he is to forward tending to show the Arabic was proceeding peacefully when torpedoed without warning.

While the government officials maintained silence today as to the possible effect of the informal discussion initiated by the ambassador with Secretary Lansing, yet it was declared in well informed circles that the situation was far from hopeless despite the disappointing features of the German note.

And Then United States May Be Willing to Arbitrate Question of Indemnity.

WORD IS SENT TO BERLIN

Reply is Expected to Be Received within the Next Week or Ten Days.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The American government is not yet ready to discuss with Germany the question of arbitration in connection with the sinking of the Arabic. It was stated today by a high government official that "the question of arbitration is not in issue."

It was explained authoritatively that what the American government first wants is a disavowal of the attack on the Arabic. Afterwards, it was indicated, the American government may be willing to arbitrate the question of indemnity.

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, has communicated the view of the American government to Berlin and it is expected that he will receive a reply within the next week or ten days. The United States is disposed to give him full opportunity to impress upon the Berlin government the views of President Wilson as disclosed to him yesterday by Secretary Lansing.

White House officials realize that the situation is grave and they are hopeful that when Berlin learns of the facts in possession of the state department the act will be disavowed.

The department has given Count von Bernstorff full opportunity to communicate with his government and Secretary Lansing has promised him ever to afford every facility for presenting the American view.

It was said today that the ambassador and the secretary yesterday discussed entirely the question of a disavowal.

WENDLING DEAD

Lecturer and Author Expires at Charles Town after An Extended Illness.

CHARLES TOWN, Sept. 14.—George Reuben Wendling, lecturer and author, died today at his home here after an extended illness. He was 70 years old. He was born in Shelbyville, Ill., in 1845, where he was admitted to the bar and was also a newspaper editor. He was a member of the Illinois constitutional convention in 1889. He made his home here for the last twenty-five years.

EASTLAND CASE

And Charges Are Discussed by President Wilson with Secretary Redfield.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The federal investigation into the steamship Eastland disaster in Chicago and resulting charges against members of the steamboat inspection service were discussed by President Wilson today with Secretary Redfield, who took personal charge of the situation. Following his conference Secretary Redfield said that nothing further could be done in the federal investigation into the disaster until original proceedings in Chicago were completed.

EXPLOITING COMPANY

Is Formed of Toledo Capital and Men to Establish Great South American Trade.

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 14.—Toledo capital and men are back of a movement to establish an enormous South American trade. Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state with a request for a charter for the exploiting company. The company expects to make an extended trip into South America and represents between 500 and 700 firms. Samples of the goods manufactured by the companies represented would be carried.

The project is along lines recommended to President Wilson recently by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and endorsed by leading bankers of the country.

O. E. Thorne, of Richmond, is a ville, is in the city on a brief business visit.